



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE

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**S. 547**

**Effective Homeland Security Management Act of 2007**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Homeland Security  
and Governmental Affairs on August 1, 2007*

S. 547 would make several changes to laws relating to the management of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). In particular, the bill would elevate the position of Under Secretary of Management to Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security for Management.

Because that proposed change would not affect the salary of that individual, CBO estimates that implementing S. 547 would not directly affect federal costs. However, the bill could lead to other changes—such as providing personal security for the new deputy secretary—that could increase federal costs. Although CBO has no basis for anticipating such decisions, we estimate that additional spending for such activities could range from negligible amounts to a few million dollars annually to provide full-time security coverage, assuming appropriation of the necessary funds. Enacting the bill would not affect revenues or direct spending.

S. 547 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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